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REMARKS

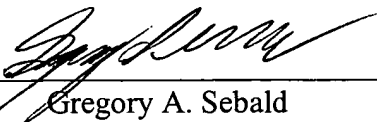
Applicants respectfully request that the preliminary amendment described herein be entered into the record prior to calculation of the filing fee and prior to examination and consideration of the above-identified application.

If a telephone conference would be helpful in resolving any issues concerning this communication, please contact Applicants' primary attorney-of record, Gregory A. Sebald (Reg. No. 33,280), at (612) 336.4728.

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55. (Amended) The method of [step 55] claim 45 wherein each information packet is further associated to a message terms key map, said message key map comprising of a plurality of message characteristic entry associated to a matching extracted term being extracted from the information packet, said message characteristic entry comprising of at least one of the following fields selected from a group consisting of:

- a term inverted file, for pointing to the matching extracted term information;
- an instance of number, for indicating a number of time said matching extracted term appeared in the information packet; and
- an inverted file entry, for pointing to a terms inverted file entry.